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# First Street Bypass opens tomorrow afternoon

The First Street Bypass will open to vehicle traffic Friday, Oct. 2, in the late afternoon.

The \$22 million city-funded project widened First Street from two lanes to five between State and Alder, and extends First Street to the east Alder to 47th Avenue. Roadway improvements include a shared-use pedestrian/bike path, street lighting and traffic signal improvements.



Minor remaining work includes landscaping and finishing touches on the bike and pedestrian path to open in mid-October.

With completion of WSDOT's interchange project at SR 529 in 2023, the bypass provides important commuter access to I-5, and allow travelers to avoid congestion on 4th Street and the BNSF crossing. Work on the state's \$96.6 million on-ramp is expected to start next year.

# New Police Chief Erik Scairpon on the job



The City of Marysville is excited to welcome new Police Chief Erik Scairpon. Chief Scairpon was sworn in at a small ceremony on Monday, Sept. 21. You can watch it on the City's YouTube channel.

"Erik demonstrates the professionalism and initiative we expect in our Police leadership," Mayor Jon Nehring said.

Chief Scairpon said, "I am extremely honored and humbled to serve the community of Marysville and the

hardworking men and women of the Marysville Police Department as your next Police Chief. I look forward to getting to know my new police family and continue to build trust with the community."

### Grants for residents, businesses still available

If you live or have a business in Marysville and the COVID-19 pandemic has hurt you financially, you may be eligible for a Marysville CARES grant.

#### Utility relief grants - Closes Oct. 23

Utility assistance grants for a one-time of \$200 toward their City of Marysville utility bill (\$100 for accounts that already have a discounted utility rate) are available to



those who meet specific criteria. More information and application are available at <a href="https://www.marysvillewa.gov/1049/Community-Support-and-Resources">https://www.marysvillewa.gov/1049/Community-Support-and-Resources</a>. For questions, please email <a href="mailto:utilitybilling@marysvillewa.gov">utilitybilling@marysvillewa.gov</a>. Application period closes Oct. 23.

#### Housing relief grants

Residents can apply for up to \$1,500 to help with rent or mortgage payments. Find the criteria and application at <a href="https://www.marysvillewa.gov/HousingRelief">https://www.marysvillewa.gov/HousingRelief</a>. For questions, please email <a href="marysvillewa.gov">renthelp@marysvillewa.gov</a>.

#### Business relief grants

Small businesses can apply for up to \$10,000 to help with business expenses. Eligibility criteria and application are available at <a href="https://www.marysvillewa.gov/BusinessRelief">https://www.marysvillewa.gov/BusinessRelief</a>. Questions? Please email renthelp@marysvillewa.gov.

Cities including Marysville received federal CARES (Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security) Act funding distributed through the State of Washington. Over the past several months, Marysville has awarded other CARES funding through residential and business rent relief grants and financial support of local community services responding to the COVID-19 pandemic.

## New Police patrol vehicle brings DV awareness



October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Marysville Police is rolling out a new patrol vehicle to bring awareness to the issue of domestic violence, the services available to survivors, and the impact that domestic violence has on families and our community.

Officer Alaina Perry, who currently drives the newly wrapped patrol vehicle, hopes that the community will see it as an opportunity to have meaningful conversations about the impact of domestic violence and the services available for survivors.

"As an officer, I regularly respond to calls of domestic violence that have far-reaching impacts. By having this vehicle out in the community, I want to bring the issue out of the shadows and give survivors hope."

If you or someone you know is a victim of domestic violence, Domestic Violence Services of Snohomish County can help you. Domestic Violence Services of Snohomish County provides free and confidential services: emergency shelter, legal advocacy, support groups and domestic violence education. For information, please call the 24-hour crisis hotline: 425-25-ABUSE (425-252-2873).

# How do you envision Marysville's downtown future?

As the City of Marysville begins its update of the Downtown Master Plan, we want to hear from residents, businesses and other stakeholders about priorities for the evolution of downtown Marysville.

We've launched an interactive map feature for review and comment about the values you think should guide future development, housing types,

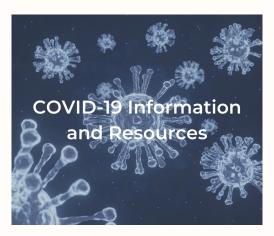


transportation, neighborhoods and more. Participants can add photos or comments and 'vote' on project markers. Visit online and add your comments by Oct. 30 at <a href="https://www.marysvillewa.gov/358/6223/Downtown-Master-Plan">https://www.marysvillewa.gov/358/6223/Downtown-Master-Plan</a>.

The focus of this Downtown Master Plan work is to update existing guidelines on land uses, urban design elements related to site layout and building orientation, architectural elements and relationships to parking, open space, landscaping, signage/way finding, pedestrian circulation and corridors, landscaping and utilities.

Visit online and comment

### Online resources for COVID-19



Inaccurate information about COVID-19 is rampant these days. Make sure the information you are relying upon to make decisions about your health is well-founded. Here are some links to bookmark for available resources and up-to-date information.

<u>City of Marysville's COVID-19 page</u> provides information on accessing city services while our buildings remain closed to the public in most circumstances. We also have information and links to our CARES Act grants as discussed

above.

<u>Snohomish Health District</u> provides up-to-date health information, case counts and data, news, guidance, and more.

<u>Snohomish County HUB</u> provides maps and links to community resources related to Snohomish County's response to COVID-19. Some of the information available on the HUB are mask pick up locations, healthcare locations, child care locations, and locations to obtain food.

<u>Washington State Coronavirus Response</u> provides information on the state's response to the pandemic and has guidance published in over 35 languages.

Washington Listens provides nonclinical support to people experiencing elevated stress

due to COVID-19. Call 1-833-681-0211 to speak with a live support specialist. Language assistance services available. Dial 711 for the Washington Relay service.



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Marysville City Council meetings are currently being held through a virtual format. You can listen to Council meetings online. Find meetings agendas and information here.

The City Council generally meets for a Work Session on the first Monday of the month and for regular Council meetings on the second and fourth Mondays of the month, excluding holidays and the month of August. Meetings begin at 7 p.m.

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